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Clamp Assembly for Feedwater Sparger End Bracket

Assembly and Methods Therefor

REQUEST FOR STATUS

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Sir:

Please provide the undersigned with a statement as to the status of the subject patent application for which a Response to Notice of Abandonment was filed on October 29, 2004.

A response would be appreciated as soon as possible.

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